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News and Events

[Town Hall Meeting – February 23](#)

President Maimon and GSU administrators will host a Civil Service Town Hall meeting on Thursday, February 23, at 10:30 a.m., in the Cafeteria Annex. You are encouraged to be part of the conversation. Bring your questions, concerns, and suggestions.

[Access Your Voicemail Through Outlook](#)

Following recent updates to GSU's voicemail system, you can now access voicemail via your faculty/staff e-mail account. All users should restart their computers to ensure that the changes take effect.

As of Wednesday, February 15, all new voicemails will appear in your GSU e-mail inboxes. New voicemail messages will remain in the phone and e-mail systems for 90 days, after which they will automatically be deleted.

You can archive your voicemail in Outlook by moving messages to the GSU Voicemail subfolder located under your Inbox. If the folder is not present, restart your computer and it will appear.

Voicemail saved prior to February 11 will be unavailable after May 1, until then these messages can only be accessed through the phone system.

- On campus – Dial extension 4995 and enter your voicemail PIN
- Off campus – Dial 708.534.4995 and enter your voicemail PIN

For more information, contact the GSU Helpdesk at 708.534.H-E-L-P (4357).

[Table Tennis Triumph](#)

The GSU table tennis team triumphed at last weekend's National Collegiate Table Tennis Association (NCTTA) Upper Midwest Divisional Spring Tournament. The tournament was held at GSU.

In the co-ed team competition, GSU took first place after defeating DePaul 4-0 and defeating teams from Purdue, Northwestern, and UW-Madison 3-1. DePaul took third and Purdue secured a fourth place finish. The GSU women's team also took first place.



This win, combined with the Fall 2011 tournament's results, secured GSU a first place overall finish in the Upper Midwest Division. GSU, along with the DePaul team, will advance to the NCTTA Midwest Regional Tournament to be held at GSU on

Saturday and Sunday, February 25 and 26, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Division champions and four top teams (for a total of eight teams) will compete for the regional title. Teams in the regional competition represent the Kansas Division, Lower Midwest Division, Minnesota Division, and Upper Midwest Division.

Placement in the regional tournament determines which teams advance to the NCTTA National competition Plano, Texas, on April 13 through 15

Everyone is welcome to attend the regional tournament and cheer the GSU team to another victory. Admission is free.

Stop Kiss Casting Call

There are a number of parts still available in the student production of *Stop Kiss* by Diana Son, a multimedia play to be performed at GSU on April 11, 12, and 13.

On-camera actors are needed for filmed scenes requiring minimal time commitment. The production needs to cast Mrs. Winsley (female, 40+ years old); Detective Cole (male, 40+ years old); Peter: (male, 21-36 years old); and Nurse (female, any age).

For the live performance, a female student (21-36 years old) is needed for the part of Sara. This student would be required to attend to two to three rehearsals a week and all production dates.

For the on-camera scenes, the production is also seeking one to two students to film single frame shots in specific locations at GSU. These scenes will require edited so that they can be projected on a screen in the Hall of Honors during the production. The footage will be a part of the live production.

For information about these opportunities as well as behind the scenes roles, contact director Lauren White at LWhite5@student.govst.edu. For priority consideration, email by Friday, February 17.

Education Employment Opportunities

The Office of Career Services is sponsoring a career fair for people interested in employment and internship opportunities in education and related fields on Thursday, February 23. The career fair will be open from 3 to 6 p.m., in the Hall of Governors.

Current students, alumni, and community members are invited to attend. Potential employers are also invited to register as participants. This is an opportunity to match job and internship positions with qualified personnel. This event is free and open to the public.



For more information or to register, call 708.235.3974.

African Americans and Classic Vocal Music

Dr. Sonya Baker of the Music Faculty at Murray State University

will host a presentation on African Americans and Classical Vocal Music today, at 1 p.m. in Engbretson Hall. The presentation, free and open to the public, is part of GSU's Distinguished Lecture Series.

Dr. Baker's appearance is in conjunction with "Lift Every Voice – An Operatic Celebration of Black History Month" at GSU's Center for Performing Arts on Sunday, February 19 at 4 p.m. During the concert, internationally acclaimed opera stars Kimberly Jones and Cornelius Johnson will unleash their soaring interpretations of great American music.

Soprano Kimberly Jones and tenor Cornelius Johnson will perform music from "Porgy and Bess," Gershwin's "Tremonisha," "Ragtime," and "Showboat," as well as spirituals and other songs drawn from the rich heritage of the African American experience. The concert is part of GSU Center's "Opera Up Close" series.

Single tickets for "Lift Every Voice" are \$37. To purchase tickets or for information, visit www.centertickets.net or call GSU Center Box Office at 708.235.2222.

SOTA Hosts Blood Drive

You can help keep healthy hearts pumping by participating in a campus blood drive on Monday, February 20 from 3 to 7 p.m. in E Lounge. The drive is sponsored by the Student Occupational Therapy Association (SOTA).

Donors will receive a T-shirt as a thank you gift. You can register for the blood drive at www.heartlandbc.org, contact Russell at rthompson@student.govst.edu or SOTA at 708.534.7294. Donors must have a photo ID.

Read Together

Join more than a million readers from all ethnic backgrounds in celebration of Black History Month. The African American Read-In will be held on Monday, February 20, from 6 to 8 p.m., in the Cafeteria Annex. The event celebrates literacy and is endorsed by the International Reading Association.

Volunteers are being sought to participate in this remarkable event and everyone is welcome to attend. Readers choose an excerpt from a book, poem, or other literary work by an African American author to read aloud at the Read-In.

Contact [Dr. Rashidah Muhammad](#) at 708.534.6974 to sign up or receive additional information.

CHHS Dean Candidate Presentation – Thomas Birk

Dr. Thomas Birk, candidate for the position of Dean of CHHS, will give a public presentation on Thursday, February 23, from 1 to 2 p.m., in Engbretson Hall. Students, staff, and faculty are invited to the public presentation.

Read Dr. Birk's [resume](#).

CBPA Grad Program Info

Learn more about graduate degree opportunities offered by the College of Business and Public Administration at a graduate program open house on March 3, from 9:30 to 11 a.m., in the Cafeteria Annex.

Information on the Master in Business Administration, Master in Public Administration, Master of Science in Management Information Systems, and Master of Science in Accounting will be provided. Attendees will have the opportunity to speak with academic and admission counselors, faculty members, and current students. Attendees are encouraged to bring official or unofficial transcripts for review. Applications will be accepted and a complete breakfast will be served.

For more information or to RSVP by February 29, call (708) 534-4391 or e-mail bpainfo@govst.edu.

Student Food Pantry

The Student Food Pantry is collecting food. Donation boxes are located at the main entry (D Building) adjacent to the elevator, and in A2140, the Student Commons. Please help us fill the pantry shelves and help our students.

The Student Food Pantry is open for food pick up on February 20, March 5 and 19, and April 2, 16, and 30. For more information, contact [Vanessa Newby](#).

Vote for Student Senate 2012

The candidates are eager to serve you. Be sure to cast your vote for student senators and Board of Trustee student representative. Voting takes place from February 27 through March 4 online at <https://eBallot4.votenet.com/govst>.

SWSO Lobby Day Prep

The Social Work Student Organization of GSU is sponsoring a Lobby Day preparation presentation on Wednesday, February 22, from 6 to 7:30 p.m., in E Lounge.

Students planning to participate in the NASW Advocacy Day in Springfield are encouraged to attend. The presentation will be conducted by Dr. Paul Keys. Participants will learn the ins and outs of lobbying for causes and programs and communicating effectively with legislators.

Black History Trivia Game

The Black Student Union is sponsoring its Know Your Black History trivia game on February 28, from 3 to 4 p.m., in the Cafeteria Annex. Teams and individuals are invited to test their knowledge of black history, compete for prizes, and enjoy food, fun, and music.

For more information or to sign up, contact [Tina Hughes Burke](#).

Scholarship Spotlight - Williette Asanji



Williette Asanji of Bolingbrook received the James and Helen Hassett Scholarship in Nursing. She is an undergraduate student in the College of Health and Human Services working toward her Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

Williette plans to continue her education to receive a master's degree. She is currently a nurse and wishes to become a nurse educator in a college or university.

Careless Screened in London

GSU took London by storm recently when Blake Labriola, Leah Shortell-Chapman, and Josh Young attended the First Annual Student International Film Festival and screened their short film, *Careless*.

Labriola and Shortell-Chapman are currently studying in the Master of Fine Arts program. Young recently earned a Bachelor of Arts in Communications with a concentration in Filmmaking & Multimedia from GSU. The students were accompanied by adjunct professor Keisha Dyson, who is also the program developer for GSU's cable station.



"It has been one of the most enriching cultural and film experiences that I've been able to take part in," said Labriola. "Showing my film to students from around the world was an exciting event for me."

The students and GSU staffer also watched dozens of short films, met student filmmakers from around the globe, visited the largest archive of world-renowned film director Stanley Kubrick's production material, and toured the BBC.

Shortell-Chapman says, "This trip was amazing! I was impressed with the quality of student work and very proud to be among such an elite group."

Careless was among more than 80 films screened at the festival. It was selected from a pool of more than 350 submissions. Labriola developed the concept for *Careless* in the MCOM/IFDI Producing class (taught by Dyson), and it was developed in the MCOM 570 Production class (taught by Sanghoon Lee). The film will be screened at GSU later this month. Pictures from their trip, updates and anecdotes can be found on FaceBook. Search This Week at GSU or on Twitter at GSU_TWAG